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1. [REDACTED] four Bulgarian soldiers successfully crossed the Yugoslav-Bulgarian frontier near Caribrod and gave themselves up to the Yugoslav authorities. They reportedly declared that many Bulgarian soldiers would like to escape because of dissatisfaction with Soviet advisors assigned the Bulgarian units.
2. The deserters also stated that because of the intensity of Yugoslav propaganda, in the nature of leaflets and rumors, Bulgarian divisions are frequently withdrawn from the border area and are replaced by divisions from the interior before the full impact of Yugoslav propaganda can be felt.

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